GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Spurious Liquor
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether illegal trade in spurious/illicit liquor and drugs are on the rise in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the total number of persons who died due to alleged consumption of spurious/illicit liquor during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Gujarat and Maharashtra;

(c) the quantum of spurious/illicit liquor and drugs seized, number of persons arrested and the action taken against the guilty persons during the said period, Statewise; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government to check illegal trade in spurious/illicit liquor and drugs along with the details of advisories issued to the State Governments and Police Departments in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (b): As per data collected from States/UTs, total number of cases reported under narcotics drugs and psychotropic substances were 29247, 34668, 46923 in 2012, 2013, 2014 respectively which shows a rising
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trend. Persons died due to consumption of illicit/spurious liquor state-wise (including Gujarat and Maharashtra) during 2012-2014 is enclosed at Annexure-I.
(c) : State/UT wise cases reported and drugs seized under the Narcotics Drugs & psychotropic Substances Act,1985 during 2014 is enclosed at Annexure-II. No data is available for earlier years as NCRB has started collecting data on seizure of drugs using the revised proformae of 'Crime in India' since 2014. Number of persons arrested, charge-sheeted and convicted in year 2012-2014 is at Annexure-III.
(d) : 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects under the seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and therefore, the State Governments are primarily responsible for prevention, detection, registration and investigation of crime and for prosecuting criminals. The Union Government, however, attaches highest importance to the matter of prevention of crime and therefore, has continued to urge the State Governments/UT Administrations for taking such measures as are

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necessary for prevention and control of crime within their respective jurisdictions. This Ministry has issued a comprehensive advisory on Prevention, Registration, Investigation and Prosecution of Crime on 16th July, 2010, which also covers all types of crime. The advisory is available on the website of Ministry of Home Affairs viz www.mha.nic.in.

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